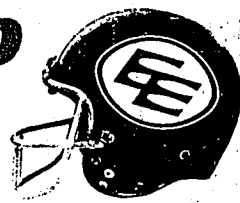




Your guide to tomorrow's Grey Cup



Eskimos can't run
against us, Als say/B1

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to get the Argos/B1

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West to win/B2



The Bay once
owned a lot of
Canada, now it
wants to buy
Simpsons/C5

Taxes too high? No, says Ottawa.
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a gun because
our new firearms law is
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'Jonestown babies were the first to die'

Toronto Star special
GEORGETOWN, Guyana — "The little
babies and the children were the first to
die."

They were led — many of them crying
— to a table in the centre of the jungle vil-
lage called Jonestown.

Then, as self-proclaimed prophet Jim
Jones watched from a raised chair, deadly
cyanide poison was squirted down their
throats with a broken syringe.

This is how Odell Rhodes described the
biggest mass suicide in recent history — a
senseless orgy of death that the former
Detroit drug addict refused to join.

For a week authorities in Guyana had
believed that an estimated 400 fanatical
followers of Jones had killed themselves in
his jungle colony.

Guyanese soldiers and Indian trackers
had searched the pirana infested swamps for
hundreds of followers who were be-
lieved to have fled.

But yesterday U.S. soldiers began find-
ing "bodies, one under the other" at the
mass suicide scene.

Earlier counts by Guyanese soldiers,
afraid to touch the bodies piled in the vil-
lage, were woefully inaccurate. The re-
count by American soldiers raised the
previous death toll from 408 to 775 and it
could top 800.

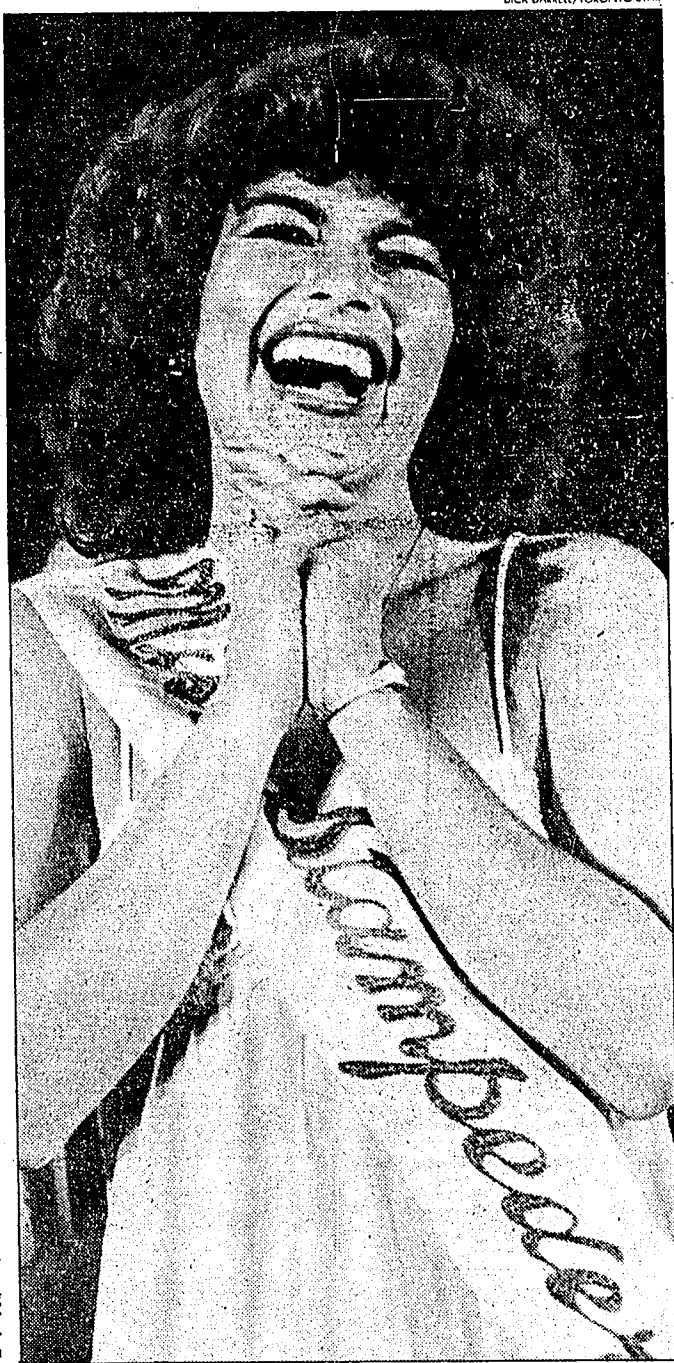
"We began discovering bodies and we
kept discovering more and more and
more . . . And we figure there may be a
few more," said U.S. Army Capt. Tom
Moscatelli.

Giving new details of the suicide horror
to newsmen yesterday, Rhodes recalled:

"The first adult to die was a young
woman who went up with a baby in her
arms about 18 months old and had the poi-
son shot down her throat, walked into a
field and sat down and died."

"It was evident that this was not a drill
See CULT/page A8

What turris ordinary people into
robots willing to die/page C4



Whooopeee! Miss Grey Cup, crowned last night, hails
from cowboy country. She's Lynn
MacKenzie, 21, Miss Calgary Stampeder. Her happy smile was the high-
light of Grey Cup hijinks, page A2.

Viet deaths mar Canada's welcome

Toronto Star special.
SINGAPORE — Boatloads of pa-
thetic Vietnamese refugees are
making do-or-die attempts to land
on the Malaysian coast in the wake
of Canada's decision to open the
doors to 604 refugees.

In the last 72 hours three vessels carry-
ing refugees have sunk or have been scut-
tled in desperate attempts by passengers
to reach shore and find a home. Three
hundred men, women and children have
drowned. And diplomats estimate 50,000
may have drowned in escape attempts
since the Communist takeover three years
ago.

'Hide and seek'

Today more than 30 boats crammed
with thousands of Vietnamese are "play-
ing hide and seek" with Malaysian patrol
boats, looking for a chance to put their
passengers ashore.

The human-wave assaults by refugees
began to increase earlier this week after
Canada, France and the United States
agreed to consider giving sanctuary to
some of the 2,500 refugees aboard the
freighter Hai Hong.

The rusting freighter sailed into Malay-
sian waters with its homeless human
cargo 17 days ago. But the Malaysian au-
thorities — who have already given sanc-
tuary to 40,000 Vietnamese — refused to
let the refugees ashore.

The Malaysians accused the refugees on
the freighter of buying their way out of
Viet Nam for \$5 million in cash and gold
— with the complicity of the Communist
rulers.

They threatened to tow the vessel back
out to sea to languish with the thousands
of other vessels.

But the United Nations appealed to
Western nations to help the sick and
starving refugees crammed aboard the
vessel. Canada, along with France and the
United States, agreed to provide homes.

Boat capsized

The decision to help the Hai Hong re-
fugees apparently encouraged swarms of
other boat people to try their luck. One
boat slipped past Malaysian patrol vessels
and made it up the Trengganu River only
to be forced back by local villagers.

The boat capsized after hitting a sand-
bank and an estimated 100 men, women
and children drowned.

For the past week, Ian Hamilton and
other Canadian high commission officials
See CANADA'S/page A8

Beware! This water can start a blaze

By Ross Howard Toronto Star
PORT LORING — It's been two years
now and the water that comes out of
Audrey Davis' taps is still polluted with
gasoline. It can catch fire. It's undrink-
able. It stinks.

Miss Davis, 58 — and now at least two
dozen of her neighbors — have wells
that are heavily gasoline-polluted. The
gasoline has been leaking — perhaps
since 1969 — from tanks beneath the
nearby Gulf gas station.

According to a sample of Miss Davis'
tap water taken this week and analyzed
for The Star, that water contains lead —
probably from the gasoline. Lead is a
subtle poison when consumed. Young-
sters are particularly vulnerable.

One neighbor, Arn Cullen, lit a match
over his well last year and it blew up in
his face.

So much gasoline leaked into Sarah
Starling's family well that they were
ordered to abandon their house this
year.

The fire department calls the water a
fire hazard, and each day pumps 600
gallons of gas and water out of another
family's well.



Audrey Davis: Lead in blood

Other residents talk of holding a
lighted match over a sink full of steam-
ing water from their taps — and watch-
ing a ball of flame form in the steam.

Properly values have plunged. The
gasoline now forms a half-acre pool
under the neighborhood, according to a
See POLLUTED/page A16

How OHIP helped Mounties track a spy

By John Munch Toronto Star

RCMP investigators sifted through
more than 100,000 Ontario Health In-
surance Plan (OHIP) cards in trying to estab-
lish the true identity of a foreign intelli-
gence agent operating in Ontario, a senior
officer said yesterday.

The investigators came up with 82
cards that matched the description of the
agent they were tracking, the royal com-
mission on confidentiality of health
records was told.

The case was cited by Chief Supt. Mich-
ael Spooner as an example of co-operation
between OHIP staff and RCMP officers in
the counter-espionage field.

Spooner, 47-year-old area commander
of the RCMP's Southwestern Ontario se-
curity service, which includes Metro, had
to tread warily in providing a public
glimpse of Canadian spy operations.

Under a section of the Public Inquiries
Act, commission counsel Harvey Stros-
See HOW/page A6

INSIDE SATURDAY'S STAR



O'Connell: 'Labor on fringes'

O'Connell wants help from labor

Scarborough's Martin O'Connell, once
again Canada's Labor Minister courtesy
of yesterday's major cabinet shuffle,
wants organized labor to play as big a role
in economic planning as business does. A3

Driving solo?

Ontario might take the wheel if Ottawa
doesn't go for a joint deal to rev up the

auto-parts industry, says Industry Minis-
ter Larry Grossman. A3

A man of decision

Donald Morand, likely Ontario's next
ombudsman, is a chain-smoking science
fiction buff known as a man not afraid to
call the shots the way he sees them. A3

Cashing in on Elvis

Elvis has been gone 15 months, but his
memory still draws fans by the thousands
to Memphis and the hawkers are having a
field day. F1

The fading of Ryan

Some of the magic has worn off Quebec
Liberal Leader Claude Ryan. His drop in
popularity is causing concern in the ranks
and he has gradually disappeared from
the front pages. C5

Spain after Franco

Spain is a freer country now, three years
after the death of dictator Francisco
Franco, but many old-timers point to in-
creasing terrorism, pornography, prosti-
tution and the breakdown of family life as
the price for democracy. A8

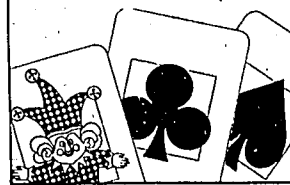
'Momma's back'

"Momma's back in the chair," Fiona Nel-
son cracked after being chosen chair-
man-elect of the Toronto Board of Education.
She was last top trustee in the city in
1974. A6

Garth's next move?

Star-struck Toronto lawyer Garth Dra-
binsky made history when he raised \$6.6
million from Canadian investors for a
Canadian movie. His next move is any-
one's guess, says Gina Mallet. D1

Win up to \$2,000 in
Weekend Poker/C25



Who's in charge?

Just who is running this country will be
the No. 1 question when Canada's premi-
ers sit down with Prime Minister Pierre
Trudeau at next week's economic
summit. C6

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